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✓ JELLY ELLIOTT AND THE THREE KNOTHEADS ✓

A Thirteen Week Public Service Series of 14 $\frac{1}{2}$  Minute Transcriptions

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JELLY ELLIOTT AND THE THREE KNOTHEADS

## SUGGESTED LIVE ANNOUNCEMENTS -

OPENING: Station \_\_\_\_\_ now presents, transcribed, "Jelly Elliott and The Three Knotheads." This program is being brought to you with the cooperation of the (NAME OF YOUR STATE FORESTRY AGENCY) and the Forest Service of the United States Department of Agriculture.

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CLOSING: Station \_\_\_\_\_ has brought you the (PROGRAM NO.) in a series of programs featuring Jelly Elliott and the Three Knotheads. Tune in again next (DAY) at (TIME) for another visit with Jelly Elliott and the boys. These programs are presented with the cooperation of the (STATE FORESTRY AGENCY) and the Forest Service of the United States Department of Agriculture.

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## Note to Station Manager and Program Director:

In presenting Jelly Elliott and the Three Knotheads at a time when most of your rural listeners may tune in, you are performing a vital service in the public interest. For your cooperation in helping to reduce the number of man-caused forest fires in your listening area, we are most grateful.

Your State and U. S. Forest Service

## Program #1

Let's Get Acquainted Folks  
(Playing Time - 14:30)

THEME: "CATTLE CALL"

STANDARD OPENING: "This is your old woods rider, Jelly Elliott and The Three Knotheads asittin' here under the big old pine tree. We've been hoping you'd come this way. Now that you're here set a spell and relax while me and the boys whip up a few tunes and dish out a little chatter about things in general here in the woods. We're brought to you with the best wishes of your State Forest Service and Uncle Sam's Forest Service."

MUSIC: "BOIL'EM CABBAGE DOWN"

JELLY: Introduces The Three Knotheads and himself and explains that this is a first of a series of 13-week programs. Indicates that the programs will contain music and stories about the woods.

MUSIC: "MILK COW BLUES"

JELLY: Explains what the woods mean to everyone...pulpwood, sawtimber, turpentine, and other forest products... watershed protection and water for drinking, bathing and power...fun in hunting, fishing, and camping... wildlife...good grazing when it's handled right... jobs. "Sounds fine and is fine if we just don't let fire mess up the whole works like it does so often!"

MUSIC: "I WISH I HAD A NICKEL"

MUSIC: "THORNS IN MY HEART"

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: "When using a match, just use your head; break it in two, be sure its dead - dead out!"

THEME: "CATTLE CALL"

STANDARD CLOSING: Sign-off with invitation to tune in again; indicates sponsorship by "Your own State Forest Service and Uncle Sam's Forest Service."

JELLY: REMEMBER, FRIENDS, ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WOODS FIRES!



## Program #2

What Fires Do To The Woods  
(Playing Time - 14:30)

THEME: "CATTLE CALL"

STANDARD OPENING

MUSIC: "FEELING BAD"

JELLY: Tells about what fire does to the woods and relates his "job story", the events which take place when the woods burn -- no wood, no hauling, no gas, no jobs etc.

MUSIC: "SONNY BOY"

JELLY: "Every day, on the average, 575 fires scorch our woods and forests here in the United States. That makes an average of about 200 thousand a year burning over 30 million acres...Think of it! These fires destroy small trees - tomorrow's timber - by the billions. The saw-timber that goes up in flames is enough to build 86 thousand five-room houses...Forest and woods fires destroy enough pulp-size trees each year to produce all the newsprint needed to supply every newspaper in the United States for 12 months. Oh, forest and woods fires are bad business all right...They can cause floods...hurt the grazing...kill the wildlife...destroy the beauty of the woods...hit you right in the heart and in the pocketbook...and that hurts, brother."

MUSIC: "SOMEBODY'S ROSE"

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: "The best way to stop woods fires is not to let them start in the first place!"

THEME: "CATTLE CALL"

STANDARD CLOSING

JELLY: REMEMBER, FRIENDS, ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WOODS FIRES!

## Program #3

Hunters' and Campers' Fires  
(Playing Time - 14:30)

THEME: "CATTLE CALL"

## STANDARD OPENING

MUSIC: "PANHANDLE RAG"

JELLY: Tells about his two hound dogs - how he fed them and took care of them all year and then, when he was ready to hunt with them, he discovers that "some leatherhead done burnt off the whole country."

MUSIC: "BLUES STAY AWAY FROM ME"

JELLY: Tells how hunters ought to protect the woods and fields from fire. Points out that many hunters and campers get careless with their smoking and camp fires. Enlists help of all sportsmen in preventing forest fires.

MUSIC: "MANSIONS ON THE HILL"

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: "A good sportsman makes campfires work for him instead of against him!"

THEME: "CATTLE CALL"

## STANDARD CLOSING

JELLY: REMEMBER, FRIENDS, ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WOODS FIRES!

## Program #4

Ticks, Snakes and Weevils  
(Playing Time - 14:30)

THEME: "CATTLE CALL"

STANDARD OPENING

MUSIC: "SALLY GOODIN"

JELLY: Poking fun at burning for ticks, snakes, weevils, ghosts, etc. "Snakes crawl into holes...dipping is the best way to get rid of ticks...next year's crop of weevils is safe in the ground or in wet stumps...farmers' been burning for years to get rid of pests...sure burned up a lot of trees...we still got the pests."

MUSIC: "ROCKING ALONG IN AN OLD ROCKING CHAIR"

JELLY: Explains how timber is one of the best crops. Appeals for protection against fire. Invites listeners to obtain help of their local foresters in growing and protecting their timber.

MUSIC: "TOMORROW NIGHT"

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: "A burning woods is a burning shame."

THEME: "CATTLE CALL"

STANDARD CLOSING

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## Program #5

"Smokey Bear" and "Good Cattle"  
(Playing Time - 14:30)

THEME: "CATTLE CALL"

## STANDARD OPENING

MUSIC: "BEAR CREEK HOLLOW"

JELLY: Tells a fanciful tale about how Smokey Bear came to be identified with the Cooperative Forest Fire Prevention Campaign.

MUSIC: "I LOVED AND LOST"

JELLY: Tells how Smokey Bear is used to spread the message of forest fire prevention. Gives rules for preventing forest fires.

MUSIC: "PLEASE DON'T LEAVE ME"

JELLY: Tells about his trip to the stock show and of the old friends he met there; how they've profited from a change in their grazing and handling of stock.

MUSIC: "RAGTIME ANNIE"

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: "They say a bird in the hand is worth two in the brush, but I say a cow on a good pasture is worth ten in the brush!"

THEME: "CATTLE CALL"

## STANDARD CLOSING

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## Program #6

Fire's Cutting The Legs Off The Watertable  
(Playing Time - 14:30)

THEME: "CATTLE CALL"

STANDARD OPENING

MUSIC: "OLD JOE CLARK"

JELLY: Tells about experience in digging for a well on his place - how deep he had to dig and how much money he spent. Points out that the local forester explained why the water level has lowered with the years: "Timber's all cut off, excessive grazing and burning. Explains what happens when the land is abused. Suggests experiment of running water over bare table and then using a wool blanket to illustrate what happens in the forest."

MUSIC: "DEEP WATER"

JELLY: Appeals to listeners to keep out fire and cut their timber right, not to overgraze, and to plow their fields on the contour.

MUSIC: "LOVESICK BLUES"

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: "A good way to keep the water clean and flowing is to keep the timber green and growing."

THEME: "CATTLE CALL"

STANDARD CLOSING

JELLY: REMEMBER, FRIENDS, ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WOODS FIRES!

## Program #7

Loggers' Fires  
(Playing Time - 14:45)

THEME: "CATTLE CALL"

## STANDARD OPENING

MUSIC: "TENNESSEE SATURDAY NIGHT"

JELLY: Tells about finding and putting out the warming fire left burning by loggers'.

MUSIC: "BOIL 'EM CABBAGE DOWN"

JELLY: Appeals to woods workers in particular (because of their dependence on productive forests) and to folks in general, to be careful in using fire in the woods.

MUSIC: "BABY GIRL"

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: "The best way to keep timber markets going is to keep timber growing."

THEME: "CATTLE CALL"

## STANDARD CLOSING

JELLY: REMEMBER, FRIENDS, ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WOODS FIRES!

## Program #8

The Law Knows A Thing Or Two  
(Playing Time - 14:30)

THEME: "CATTLE CALL"

STANDARD OPENING

MUSIC: "BEAR CREEK HOLLOW"

JELLY: Tells the story about the fellow who got up out of the wrong side of the bed one morning and set the woods on fire out of pure meanness." It's just not good sense to go out strewing fire all over the woods. Most folks ain't putting up no more with that kind of doings. You don't go around burning up a man's woods no more than his house or barn. The law is sure against it."

MUSIC: "WHERE WOULD I GO BUT TO THE LORD?"

JELLY: Explains how judges and justices of peace are cooperating with the local foresters and the good of the community, in imposing heavy fines and jail sentences for incendiaries. Points out that "if folks just realized the harm they are doing they'd quit this foolishness."

MUSIC: "COLUMBUS STOCKADE BLUES"

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: "One tree can make a million matches...one match can destroy a million trees."

THEME: "CATTLE CALL"

STANDARD CLOSING

JELLY: REMEMBER, FRIENDS, ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WOODS FIRES!



## Program #9

Forest and Flame in The Bible  
(Playing Time - 14:30)

THEME: "CATTLE CALL"

STANDARD OPENING

MUSIC: "LAY DOWN YOUR SOUL"

JELLY: Tells about the fellow who used to set the woods on fire and how he suddenly quit - because he was a God-fearing man and was finally convinced by his Preacher who devoted a whole sermon to the sins of woods burning. Employs quotations from Isaiah, St. John's and Exodus to illustrate with the Bible - refers to forest fires.

MUSIC: "WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS"

JELLY: Offers CFFP publication "Forest and Flame in The Bible."

MUSIC: "HAWAIIAN ISLAND"

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: "Like that poet feller says: Only God Can Make A Tree... Well, looks like we ought to be able to carry our end of the load and keep fire from burning it up."

THEME: "CATTLE CALL"

STANDARD CLOSING

JELLY: REMEMBER, FRIENDS, ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WOODS FIRES!

## Program #10

Timber Sure Grows In This Country  
(Playing Time - 14:30)

THEME: "CATTLE CALL"

STANDARD OPENING

MUSIC: "SILVER BELL"

JELLY: Tells about trip back to the old home place for a reunion. Amazed at the fine crop of timber that is growing in what was once an old, wornout, washed-away corn patch; already thinned for pulpwood; going to thin it again in a few years. "Hasn't been any fire in it at all; sure made me proud of the folks on the home place."

MUSIC: "WEST OPHALIA WALTZ"

JELLY: Talks about reforestation of idle land and the need to keep fire out. Tells how local forestry officials can help. Repeats offer of "Forest and Flame in The Bible."

MUSIC: "BLUES IN MY HEART"

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: "Nine out of every ten woods fires are caused by man - the result of carelessness, thoughtlessness, or just plain cussedness."

THEME: "CATTLE CALL"

STANDARD CLOSING

JELLY: REMEMBER, FRIENDS, ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WOODS FIRES!

## Program #11

New Ground and Brush Fires  
(Playing Time - 14-30)

THEME: "CATTLE CALL"

## STANDARD OPENING

MUSIC: "I FOUND HER LITTLE FOOTPRINTS IN THE SNOW"

JELLY: Tells about the fellow who was clearing new ground and preparing to burn it and the brush. Although his neighbor advised him he was making a mistake burning on a bad day, hot, dry, and windy, now this fellow went ahead with his burning and it boomeranged. It burned his barn right down to the ground and would have gotten his house too if his neighbor and his neighbor's boys hadn't helped him. "Some folks just got to learn the hard way, I reckon."

MUSIC: "UNFAITHFUL ONE"

JELLY: Points out that a lot of fires get loose and run wild through the woods because folks aren't more careful in burning brush. Lists the simple rules for burning: getting permit if the state laws require it; small piles, pick a damp day, plow around, burn late in the afternoon, plenty of tools, water, extra help. "Shucks, I guess maybe everybody knows all of this - just be careful, that's all." Offers picture of himself and The Three Knotheads.

MUSIC: "WAY DOWN YONDER"

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: "When it comes to using fire in or near the woods, it's sure better to be safe than sorry!"

THEME: "CATTLE CALL"

## STANDARD CLOSING

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## Program #12

Burning and Grazing the Woods Don't Pay  
(Playing Time - 14:30)

THEME: "CATTLE CALL"

## STANDARD OPENING

MUSIC: "ROADSIDE RAG"

JELLY: Tells about trip with local forester out to a farmer's woodlot (mixed pine and hardwoods). Describes their walk through the woods, how the forester pointed out the trees ready for cutting and of his concern about the effects of grazing and fire in the woodland. "That forester fellow told the farmer that he could sure make his woods pay off if he kept fire and the cows out of them. Then he promised he would be back to help the farmer mark the trees that ought to be cut and the farmer promised to fence the cows out and protect his timber from fire and he promised I'd tell other folks about it and, well, I've kept my promise. I'm sure that forester fellow has kept his. It's up to that farmer now."

MUSIC: "THE KIND OF LOVE I CAN'T FORGET"

JELLY: Tells about the business of growing timber. Suggests that his listeners contact the local foresters for advice and assistance. "Big thing is keeping out the fire...keeping out the cows and hogs...cut the trees right at the right time...that's the way to get a steady crop of cash money every few years." Repeats offer of the picture of himself and The Three Knotheads.

MUSIC: "WEDDING BELLS"

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: "If you take care of your woods you can eat your cake and have it too."

THEME: "CATTLE CALL"

## STANDARD CLOSING

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## Program #13

Help Your Neighbors, Neighbor  
(Playing Time - 14:50)

THEME: "CATTLE CALL"

STANDARD OPENING

MUSIC: "THERE'S A BIG ROCK IN THE ROAD"

JELLY: Tells the folks this is the last program for awhile. Talks about how taking care of the woods - protecting them from fire is just about everybody's business, calls on neighbor to help neighbor in preventing forest fires and putting out those that do start. Calls for cooperation with the local state forestry boys and points out how these foresters are really trying to protect and improve the woods for a better way of life.

MUSIC: "IF YOU'LL ONLY SAY YOU CARE"

JELLY: Sums up - appeals to everybody, woodworkers, hunters, fishermen, campers, farmers, school teachers, business folks, school kids - young and old - to do their part in preventing forest fires. Repeats offer of "Forest and Flame in The Bible" and the picture of himself and The Three Knotheads.

MUSIC: "IDA RED"

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: "Like the Good Book says: Do Unto Others As You Would Have Them Do Unto You!"

THEME: "CATTLE CALL"

STANDARD CLOSING (Ending the Series)

JELLY: REMEMBER, FRIENDS, ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WOODS FIRES!

